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WOUND DRESSING )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTAssistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment in the  
above-identified patent application.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-18.

Please add the following new claims:

--19. A wound dressing comprises in combination

- (i) a first wound contact layer which preferably has a positive effect on the healing of the wound,
- (ii) a second layer of greater hydrophilicity than the first layer, and
- (iii) a breathable film having an increased MVTR capability in the presence of liquid water as compared to moisture vapour alone.

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